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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.